

VALLEY CITY LAND

Cheaper Than In Any City of Its Size in the Country

CHOICE CITY LOTS PLENTY

Chances for Homes, Business Places, Hotel and Factory Sites—Duty of Improvement Companies.

It is a fact that real estate in Grand Rapids is cheaper than in any other city of its size in the United States. Property in most of the cities of like population is selling at double the price it is in this city. There is not what might be called a high priced piece of property in this city today. Probably the most valuable is known as the Monroe street frontage, but this is a short street, entirely occupied, and including Canal and a portion of South Division street, is entirely devoted to the retail trade.

Of late years the jobbing trade of this city has moved to Ottawa and Ionia streets. Ionia street has probably better shipping facilities and is nearer the railroad center than any other street.

It is surprising that values of property on this thoroughfare are so low. It is one of the main arteries of business in the city. We are informed that property has changed hands on this street, well located, within the past two or three years for a price that is less than one-half for the same class of property in any other city having the advantages that Grand Rapids has.

Within a few years this entire street will probably be occupied by jobbing houses, and those who are now letting such opportunities go by will realize that they have made a business mistake in not taking advantage of present prices in securing desirable locations for their trade.

Residence property in the best portions of this city can be purchased for from \$60 to \$100 per foot. The same property in like locations in other cities of our size would quickly sell for \$150 to \$200 per foot. Business property in cities like Duluth, Atlanta, Omaha and Kansas City find ready sales at \$2000 to \$3000 per foot front, while in this city \$1000 is considered a good price for our best properties.

The facts are that there has never been any boom in real estate in this city, while a good deal of outside property has been platted and sold at low prices. Inside property has never advanced to what might be called a medium price. We think if our board of trade and the Grand Rapids Improvement company would call the attention of investors to these facts that money would seek investment in properties in this city that are bound to have a remarkable increase in value within the next year.

Elegant odd pieces suitable for the richest drawing rooms to be had, at half their value. Mueller & Slack Co., Canal and Huron streets.

Buy Steinway pianos at Hartman's closing out sale.

Use This Nectar Tea, a pure Chinese tea at 60c per pound and a special present with each pound, 198 Monroe street. Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co.

Use A. & P. Baking Powder. Telephone 880.

North Park Today.

The first grand balloon ascension at North Park occurs today at 4 o'clock. Great preparations have been completed for the event, and one of the best ascensions ever witnessed is confidently expected. The management has provided in advance for the entertainment of a very large crowd of people, and a grand time is expected. The flight to the clouds will take place at precisely 4 o'clock. If you would see the grandest spectacle of the year, don't fail to be there.

Buy furniture at Hartman's closing out sale.

"Sunday Eve at Redmond's."

Carrie Louis will close her engagement at Redmond's this evening in the four-act comedy entitled "Chick," with Edna Louis in the role of Chick, a part in which she appears to splendid advantage. The play is a strong comedy drama full of striking situations, plenty of comedy, etc. Secure your seats early.

Buy violin strings at Hartman's closing out sale.

The Wayne County Delegation

To the democratic state convention at Muskegon will leave Detroit by special train May 3, via the Detroit, Lansing & Northern railroad, and leave Grand Rapids via the Chicago & West Michigan about 2:30 p. m., arriving at Muskegon about 4:30 p. m.

Hen. Den M. Dickinson, who will accompany the delegation, extends an invitation to the Lansing and Grand Rapids delegations to accompany them.

Rate from Grand Rapids will be \$1.60 for the round trip, good going on any train on May 3 and 4, and to return May 5. If fifty or more go together, same train, rate will be \$1.20 each. Geo. DeHaven.

Bargains in desks and tables at Hartman's.

We have heard it said by those who have taken pains to examine the carriage stock in the city, that none excel, if they equal, the stock carried by W. P. Denison, at No. 22 South Division street. He is the agent of the Cortland Wagon company, whose name is a guarantee that the goods are what they are represented to be, the best goods in the market for the price asked, and they are fine and no mistake, and we would advise anyone who intends to buy to be sure and look over their stock before purchasing, for their own good.

Ruth Cleveland

is the name of a nestling hat for children just received by Adams & Co., No. 20 Monroe street.

Buy Krakauer pianos at Hartman's closing out sale.

One thousand horsemen wanted to look over the great Sunol cart, manufactured by the Cortland Wagon company especially for extending and spending. Pronounced by all to be the most perfect sulky cart in use; whalebone stock; weight, seventy-five pounds. Denison has them at No. 22 South Division street.

Three Days

Only, YES, YOU'VE WAITED LONG ENOUGH

Wednesday Tuesday, Monday,

TOWER'S GREAT LINEN COLLAR SALE!

Yes, a nickel buys 4-ply Linen Collars, all shapes and sizes. 5c | 10c And CUFFS, too, all linen. Lay in your Summer Supply.

Save washing. Sale ends Wednesday night sure. Think of it, a Nickel for Genuine Linen Collars (not the kind imitators try to palm off), but Tower Collars at one-third their wholesale value. FOR BIG BARGAINS IN MEN'S SUITS, HATS and NECKWEAR Look in our Bargain Windows this week.

CLOTHING HUDSON'S TOWER COMPANY The Great Bargain Merchants.

representing Barlow Brothers in the the eastern states. The blanks are to be made for one of the largest bar wire manufacturers in the east. Over one ten of paper will be used and the order probably represents the largest quantity that has ever been made at one time for any single shipper in this country.

Appearance Are Good!



—Ficard Station.

Worse Still.

Mrs. Witherby—What did your cook do? Go off in a huff?

Mrs. Plankington—No. She went off in my tailor made gown.—Clock Review.

Buy banjos and guitars at Hartman's closing out sale.

Bargains in furniture at Hartman's.

Try A. & P. Baking Powder at 45c. Perfectly pure; full weight guaranteed. Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. Telephone 880.

Strawberries and Cream at Peck's lunch counter.

Secure a Home.

Street cars will be running within two months to the Stevens' addition, First North Burton avenue on South Division street. Street is now grading. A few choice lots offered, best value and best location at price in city; will help you to build and give easy terms of payment.

REYNOLDS & FRANKLIN, Room 69, Porter block.

Solid mahogany suits covered in silk brocade, elegant style, \$75. Good value for \$125. Mueller & Slack Co., Canal and Huron streets.

Lily White.

The Valley City Milling Company has no peer in the manufacture of flour. Try the LILY WHITE.

Bargains in sheet music at Hartman's.

Bargains in organs at Hartman's.

Lily White Flour

Made by Valley City Milling Co., Grand Rapids, is a family favorite. Try it.

Every man who uses whisky to excess knows that his habit has developed into a disease, but the trouble is he will not confess the fact to anybody but himself. All such men may, without publicity, without being taken away from home or business, and without restrictions of any kind, be cured of the disease known as the whisky habit. Call on or address the International Gold Cure Company, 250 Sheldon street, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Buy Everett pianos at Hartman's closing out sale.

Try A. & P. Baking Powder at 45c. Perfectly pure; full weight guaranteed. Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. Telephone 880.

Bargains in second hand pianos at Hartman's.

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Is a Low Estimate of the
RED DIAMOND BRAND OF
GARDEN HOSE
Placed in this market. If you have used it you know its worth. It is a legacy of your neighbors. Introduced by us in this city 15 years ago.
WEATHERLY & PULTE.

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| J. S. Morris, 55 S. Division. | F. B. Chapin, 107 Monroe. |
| E. J. Carrol, 508 S. Division | P. V. Finch, 75 Canal. |
| Norman Odell, Jefferson and Wealthy ave. | G. T. Haas & Co., Canal and Bridge. |
| A. J. Dayton, Wealthy ave. | T. A. Baxter, 245 Jefferson ave. |
| J. M. Welcott, 713 Wealthy ave. | J. N. Wells, East Bridge and Barclay. |
| Wolverine Drug Co., East Bridge. | Wolverine Drug Co., North Colt ave. |
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| B. Schroeder & Co., Hill Drug Store. | H. & F. Thum, 54 Canal street. |

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BELKNAP, BAKER & CO.,

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To men who wish to wear Nice-Fitting and Well-Made Garments, and WE WANT EVERYBODY TO KNOW IT. We have bought three pieces each of Blue-Black and Jet-Black Clay-weave Worsted, Imported Fabric, of perfectly fast color, and warranted by us not to wear glossy. These goods are sold by all first-class tailors at from \$38 to \$45

To introduce our work, we place them on sale, and during week beginning Monday, May 2, offer

SACK SUIT, Made to Order, - \$25.00

CUTAWAY SUIT, Made to Order, 27.00

A first grade Italian lining will be used, and when binding is desired an all silk binding. These goods are offered at this price as an advertisement, and you may be assured of first-class workmanship and a perfect fit. No customer allowed to take any garment unless pleased. Call and see these goods in the piece. Leave your order during this sale and get the garment at your convenience.

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SPECIAL NOTICE!

A Great Shoe Sale,

THURSDAY, MAY 5

— AT —

M. Ehrman's Shoe Store!

69 CANAL STREET.

Having bought part of the large stock of Fine Boots and Shoes from the late failure of Mitchell, Singer & Co., Wholesale Shoe Dealers of the East, I will offer at Public Sale, Thursday, May 5th, at 8 a. m., the following lots of goods:

Lot 1 comprises 648 pairs Child's fine Kid Button Shoes, sizes from 2 to 5, we will offer at..... 9c. They are dirt cheap at 50 cents. Just think!

Lot 2 comprises 314 pairs Misses' Fine Dongola Kid Button Shoes, in heel and spring heel sizes from 11 to 2 D last, we will sell at..... 83c. These are worth regular 1.75—a great bargain.

Lot 3 comprises 992 pairs of Ladies' Fine Kid and Dongola Button Shoes, B last, 2 1/2 to 4, D last, 3 to 6, E last, 2 1/2 to 8, will be..... 98c. Splendid goods and are worth 2.00. A drive!

Lot 4 comprises 811 pairs Men's Fine Calf Congress Shoes, all solid leather and in any style you want, sizes running from 6 to 10, plain toe and tip, we will offer at..... \$1.18 You pay 2.50 all over town for the same shoe. Don't fail to see them.

Lot 5 comprises 632 pairs of Ladies' Fine Dongola Patent Tip Button Shoes, 1 in all sizes and widths, 2 1/2 to 7, DE and EE lasts; these we will offer at..... 1.28 They are cheap at 3.00. They are fine fitters, splendid style, and you save at least 1.75 on each pair. It will pay you to see them.

Lots of other goods in the same proportion. If you want to save money in the shoe line don't fail to come to this great sale. Remember for one day only, Thursday, May 5th, at

Ehrman's Shoe Store.

Sale begins at 8 a. m. 69 Canal Street.